Inter-State network of arms in Tamil Nadu

2328. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that investigations in catches of sophisticated arms, including rockets and rocket launchers, has led to unearthing of an inter-State network, operating from Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details of arms seized and the findings of investigations therein; and
- (c) the details of steps taken by Government to prevent manufacture and supply of illegal arms?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) The Government of Andhra Pradesh is investigating into the seizure of 875 rockets and 43 rocket launchers seized from Kranthi Transport at Achampet of Mahabubnagar district and Giddalur of Prakasam district on 7/8.9.06. Investigation has so far revealed that CPI (Maoist) had got Manufactured these rockets and rocket launcers in seven lathe workshop foundries at Chennai through Thota Kumara Swamy @ Madhu, a native of Warangal district of Andhra Pradesh. In this case, 2 persons have been arrested in Kedapa, while Thota Kumara Swamy @ Madhu, the Kingpin and his wife Sudha Rani surrendered to Warangal Police of Andhra Pradesh on 16.10.2006 and were later arrested by Mahabubnagar Police. The Tamil Nadu Police also arrested 7 persons who manufactured rockets and rocket launchers in their foundries.

(c) The State Government have been advised to take all steps to check the illegal manufacturing of rockets and rocket launchers and ensure strict enforcement of the provisions of the Arms and Explosives Acts and Rules and existing instructions issued in this behalf.

Probe by AP Police regarding freedom Fighters pension

- 2329. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
 - (a) whether it is a fact that Andhra Pradesh Government has asked its

Crime Investigation department to probe into irregularities reported in the sanction of pension to freedom fighters;

- (b) if so, the details of the probe; and
- (c) the action taken by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) A complaint was received on the functioning of the erstwhile Hyderabad Special Screening Committee (HSSC). Government of Andhra Pradesh has entrusted the case to its Criminal Investigation Department for enquiry and report on 27.12.2005. The enquiry report is awaited.
 - (c) Does not arise.

Joint survey of border pillars

2330. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have held technical-level discussions on the modalities for the joint survey of the boundary pillars with bordering countries:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof, country-wise; and
 - (c) the conclusions derived from such discussions, so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (c) The country-wise details of technical level discussion for joint survey of boundary pillars and conclusions derived from such discussions are as under:

1. India-Pakistan Border

India and Pakistan conducted a Joint Survey of extent boundary pillars in horizontal segment of Sir Creek in January, 2005 wherein the coordinates of the pillars were jointly determined and noted. During the Foreign Secretary level talks held on 14th & 15th November, 2006, both the countries agreed to hold a meeting of Experts on 22nd 23rd December, 2006 to decide on